

MEMORIAL HIGHWAYS TIMELINE

The following timeline depicts all highways listed in [Title 60, Chapter 1, Part 2](#): Classification of Highways.



2005

- Patrick G. Galvin Memorial Highway
 - *MT3 from Great Falls to Armington*
- Richard Dean Roebling Memorial Highway
 - *portion of US87 in Billings known as "Main St."*

2007

- Robert E. Ewing Jr. Memorial Highway
 - *Mile marker 410 to 424 of I-15 between Columbus & Park City*
- Warrior Trail Highway
 - *US212 from 510 exit to WY border*

2009

- Highway Patrol Officer David Graham Memorial Highway
 - *US2 from Kalispell to Columbia Falls*
- Highway Patrol Officer Evan F. Schneider Memorial Highway
 - *US2 from Columbia Falls to Hungry Horse*

2011

- Highway Patrol Officer Michael W. Haynes Memorial Highway
 - *US93 from junction with MT82 to Kalispell*
- Highway Patrol Officer David DeLaittre Memorial Highway
 - *US287 mile markers 93.3 - 97.3*
- Pintler Veterans' Memorial Scenic Highway
 - *Entirety of MT1*

2013

- Patrick A. Pyette Memorial Highway
 - *US2 from Chinook to Zurich*
- Joshua Thomas "Josh" Rutherford Memorial Highway
 - *US2 from Zurich to Fort Belknap reservation*

2015

- Joseph J. Dunn Memorial Highway
 - *I-15 Ulm interchange to Gore Hill Interchange*

2017

- David L. Brieese Jr. Memorial Highway
 - *I-90 mile markers 445-451*
- Senator Conrad Burns Memorial Highway
 - *"Airport Rd" in Billings (US87 to N 27th St.)*

2019

- Trenton Johnson Memorial Highway
 - *MT83 mile markers 14-22*
- Pearl Harbor Veterans Memorial Highway
 - *MT532 mile markers 1-2*
- MT Medal of Honor Highway
 - *Entirety of US20*
- Dolly Smith Akers Memorial Highway
 - *US2 from Wolf Creek to Poplar River*
- Mason Moore Memorial Highway
 - *US287 mile marker 109*
- Brent Witham Memorial Highway
 - *US12 mile markers 20-32*
- Flathead County Veterans Memorial
 - *Bridge spanning Flathead River near Hungry Horse*
- Jeannette Rankin Memorial Highway
 - *I-90 mile markers 101-106*
- Minnie Spotted-Wolf Memorial Highway
 - *US89 mile markers 85.3-89*
- Louis Charles Charlo Memorial Highway
 - *US93 mile markers 7-9*

2021

- Terry Spotted Wolf, Sr. Memorial Highway
 - *MT212 mile markers 26-27*
- Otto Fossen Memorial Highway
 - *US2 mile marker 329 to Hill County line*
- Helen Clark Memorial Highway
 - *US2 from East Glacier to Browning*

ADDITIONAL ANALYSIS

The 2005 session ushered in a few language changes to the designation of memorial or heritage highways. First, "memorial highway" became the preferred language for most alternatively classified highways. Additionally, most statutes added in 2005 and later demonstrate a new drafting structure, which may be significant.

Prior to 2005, most highway designations were drafted using a simple style that declared and identified the portion of roadway as a memorial or heritage route:

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| 1965 | | <p><u>60-1-202. Lewis and Clark highway.</u> There is hereby established the Lewis and Clark highway. It shall be composed of the following existing routes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) from the Idaho state line west of Lolo Hot Springs, Montana, to the junction with U.S. highway 93 at Lolo; (2) thence north from Lolo on U.S. highway 93 to Missoula; (3) thence east from Missoula on U.S. highways 12 and 10 to Garrison; (4) thence east from Garrison on U.S. highway 12 through Forsyth and Baker to the North Dakota state line. |
| 1995 | | <p><u>60-1-206. Donald J. Ruhl medal of honor highway.</u> The portion of Montana state highway 78, from Columbus through Absarokee and Roscoe to Red Lodge, is established as the Donald J. Ruhl medal of honor highway.</p> |

In 2005, additional language was added to direct the department to erect signs and update maps to reflect the designation:

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| 2005 | | <p><u>60-1-211. Patrick G. Galvin memorial highway.</u> (1) There is established the Patrick G. Galvin memorial highway composed of the existing Montana highway 3 from the boundary of the city of Great Falls to the intersection of Montana highway 3 and U.S. highway 89 at Armington.</p> <p><u>(2) When existing road signs between Great Falls and the intersection of Montana highway 3 and U.S. highway 89 at Armington need replacement, the department shall erect road signs reflecting the memorial designation in subsection (1).</u></p> <p><u>(3) Maps that identify roadways in Montana must be updated to reflect the memorial designation in subsection (1) when the maps are updated or replaced.</u></p> |
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The increase in the number of memorial highway designations added in the last few sessions coupled with the small size of highway maps may present future difficulties for the department to add, and for the public to read, additional memorial highway designations.